

SENATE BILL 2820
By Kelsey

HOUSE BILL 3127

By Dennis

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section
29-26-115, relative to expert testimony.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 29-26-115, is amended by
designating subdivision (a)(1) as (a)(1)(A) and by adding the following new subdivision (a)(1)(B):

(B) In order to comply with the requirements of subdivision (a)(1)(A), a medical
expert must confine testimony to the recognized standard of acceptable professional
practice in the local community in which the defendant practices or in a similar
community. Testimony with respect to the regional or national standard of practice or
why a regional or national standard is applicable or should be applied in the instant case
is inadmissible.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring
it.